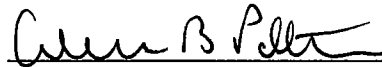


REMARKS

Claims 1-3, 7, 9, and 12-20 remain pending in the application after entry of this amendment. Claims 9, 18, and 20 have been amended to correct minor errors. No new matter has been added by the amendments.

Applicant notes that the allowed claims list in the Notice of Allowability page of the Notice of Allowance dated April 9, 2007 should include claim 18. Claim 18 was added in the Response to Office Action dated October 23, 2006 and was never canceled by either the Applicant or the Examiner.

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